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TRANSMISSION SERVICES	§	
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CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE	§	STATE OFFICE OF
AND NECESSITY FOR 345-KV	§	
TRANSMISSION LINE IN PECOS,	§	
REEVES, AND WARD COUNTIES	§	
(SAND LAKE TO SOLSTICE AND	§	
BAKERSFIELD TO SOLSTICE)	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

JOINT MOTION TO CANCEL THE NEED PHASE HEARING ON THE MERITS, ADMIT EVIDENCE, AND SET PREHEARING CONFERENCE

TO THE HONORABLE STEVEN H. NEINAST AND GABRIEL P. SOTO, ADMINISTRATE LAW JUDGES:

COME NOW Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC ("Oncor"), LCRA Transmission Services Corporation ("LCRA TSC"), and AEP Texas Inc. ("AEP Texas") (collectively, the "Applicants") and file this joint motion to cancel the need hearing on the merits, set a prehearing conference, and admit the direct testimony of Brent R. Kawakami into evidence.

Mr. Kawakami filed direct testimony regarding the need for the Sand Lake – Solstice and Bakersfield – Solstice projects on November 7, 2018. No party objected to his testimony within the deadlines established in the procedural schedule. All intervenors and Commission Staff have now filed direct testimony, and none of them have put at issue any topic relating to the need for these projects. Commission Staff's testimony concludes that the projects are necessary for the service, accommodation, convenience and safety of the public. Based on the lack of a challenge to the need for these projects, Applicants hereby move to cancel the need phase hearing on the merits currently scheduled on February 15, 2019, because the issues that would be addressed in that phase of the hearing are uncontested.

In addition, because the need for these projects is uncontested, Applicants move to admit Mr. Kawakami's direct testimony and all exhibits attached thereto (filed in both Dockets 48785 and 48787 relating to each separate project) into the evidentiary record.

In lieu of the need phase hearing on the merits, on February 15, 2019, Applicants propose that a prehearing conference be held that day instead to discuss potential stipulations on certain issues and ways to streamline the post-hearing briefing process, if necessary, for the benefit of the parties and the ALJs alike.

Applicants are not aware of and do not anticipate any opposition to the requested relief.

Applicants are authorized to represent that Commission Staff supports the relief requested in this motion.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that Your Honors: (1) cancel the need phase hearing on the merits scheduled on February 15, 2019; (2) admit Mr. Brent Kawakami's direct testimony, including the exhibits attached thereto, into the evidentiary record; and (3) set a prehearing conference on February 15, 2019, in lieu of the need phase hearing on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document was served on all parties of record on February 6, 2019, in accordance with P.U.C. Procedural Rule 22.74.

/s/ Winston P. Skinner